

**PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
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**MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 20, 2007**

Chairperson Ramona Finnila called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 20, 2007 in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson Ramona Finnila, Vice-Chairperson Tim Hutter, John Christensen, Chuck Collins, Bob Gates, W.C. "Bill" Guier, Ginna Reyes and Tom Ricotta were present.

Members present represent a quorum.

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Howard Williams.

**COUNTY STAFF PRESENT**

Present were Peter Drinkwater, Willie Vasquez, Anne Paul, Bill Polick, Dan Thompson and Jim Swain.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call was taken.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The PAAC members reviewed the minutes for the meeting of July 19, 2007. Ginna Reyes moved they be approved. The minutes were approved with Chairperson Ramona Finnila, Chuck Collins and John Christensen abstaining.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Ms. Finnila addressed the public on the background of the feasibility plan from S.H. and E and re-affirmed that public comment and input is always welcome at the PAAC meetings. There were 13 speakers who spoke positively of the airport. 17 citizens voiced concerns on a variety of topics, including the long-term possible lengthening of the runway and increased airline service, the PAAC's need to listen to the public's concerns, low flying aircraft, aircraft flying during the voluntary quiet hours, excessive aircraft noise and safety issues.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – P. Drinkwater

Mr. Drinkwater thanked the public for attending the meeting and said he welcomed their input. He re-affirmed the airport is not being expanded. Rather, it's being modernized and re-organized while re-inventing what already exists. He said that the SH&E feasibility report focuses on future

service options for the airport and nothing had been decided about regional jet service; that would be a public process with public input.

**PALOMAR AIRPORT CENTER, LLC (LEASE 4) SECOND AMENDMENT TO AVIATION LEASE NEGOTIATED RENTAL ADJUSTEMENT** - A. Paul

Ms. Paul presented a motion item asking the PAAC to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors approve the Palomar Airport Center, LLC (Lease 4) second amendment to their aviation lease regarding a negotiated rental adjustment. Mr. Collins motioned that the PAAC approve the motion, which carried. Once the lease amendment has been approved by the County Board of Supervisors it will be made public record.

**FLY FRIENDLY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT** – J. Swain

There have been more than twenty-five Fly Friendly Presentations to the community. Ms. Reyes described the Fly Friendly Program and what its objectives were. She emphasized that the airport businesses were well aware of the voluntary noise abatement procedures. Gail Carroll expressed the public's desire to be part of the solution of finding ways to decrease noise in the airport area.

**AIRPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT** – J. Swain

- ➔ Monthly Operations Count: 22,143
- ➔ Annual Operations Count: 150,193
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Enplanements: 4,279
- ➔ Annual Air Carrier Passenger Enplanements: 35,367
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Throughput: Revenue Out: 3,713; Revenue In: 3,613; Non-Revenue Out: 566; Non-Revenue In: 588; Total Passenger Throughput: 8,480
- ➔ Local Traffic: 6,546
- ➔ Itinerant Traffic: 15,597
- ➔ Monthly Concerns: 556
- ➔ Annual Concerns: 1,059
- ➔ Ratio of Concerns to Operations for August: 556 concerns for 22,143 aircraft, which is 1 concern for every 40 operations.
- ➔ Community Noise Concerns by area: Southwest: 495; Southeast: 31; Northwest: 5; Northeast: 24. Other areas: 1.
- ➔ Noise Concerns by type: Noise: 33; VNAP: 60; Low: 398; Over flights: 65.
- ➔ Noise Concerns by aircraft type: Propellers: 275; Jets: 72; Helicopters: 201; No Aircraft Type Specified: 8; Commercial: 0.
- ➔ Noise Concerns by time of day: 0700 to 1700: 344; 1700 to 2200: 129; 2200 to 0700: 83.
- ➔ Flight operations during quiet hours: 2200 to 0500: 389 (Props: 150, Jets: 56, Helicopters: 27; 0500 to 0700: 136 (Props: 98, Jets: 38, Helicopters: 1).

Mr. Swain took questions from the public about the VNAP for aircraft operations, which agencies receive the airport community relations report and his procedures for tracking and following up on noise complaints.

**R6/24 VNAP COMMITTEE** – T. Hutter

Mr. Hutter described the purpose of the R6/24 VNAP Committee. He and Mr. Swain discussed and displayed the updated VNAP flier and took questions from the public regarding the pilots' adherence to the voluntary noise abatement procedures.

**STAFF REPORT** – W. Vasquez

Mr. Vasquez thanked the public for attending the meeting and for sharing their concerns. He said that he and his staff were committed to being a good neighbor. He reported on the terminal project. He also spoke of the recent tri-annual exercise and thanked Vic Sigafus of Airport Operations for his work on that project. Mr. Vasquez responded to questions from the audience about the upcoming fee-based customs operations as well as the Airport Rescue Fire Fighting services.

**MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Reyes announced that Jet Source had hosted the airport's annual jet preview on Thursday, September 20, 2007 from 10:00am to 4:00pm. The event was free and open to the public. Many aircraft types were represented as well as other items of interest and it was well attended.

Mr. Guier commented that there were no quiet airports excepting one that launched gliders with a winch tow.

**SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2007**

The next meeting of the Palomar Airport Advisory Committee will be on November 15, 2007.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Thompson, Administrative Secretary I